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INFO AMCONSUL THESSALONIKI

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SUBJECT: MAJOR PROJECT: THESSALONIKI SEWAGE SYSTEM

REF: ATHENS 865L; THESSALONIKI 828

1. GILBERT ASSOCIATES OF READING, PA HAS BEEN IN TOUCH WITH THE WORLD BANK AND WITH THE MINISTRY OF COORDINATION AND PLANNING, ATHENS RE SUBJECT PROJ:CT.

2. GILBERT HAS LEARNED FROM CONTACTS IN GREECE AND CONFIRMED THROUGH IBRD THAT PRELIMINARY DESIGN WORK HAS BEEN DONE AND SUBMITTED TO MINISTRY OF PUBLIC WORKS. GILBERT'S CONTACTS FURTHER STATED THAT ANY ADDITIONAL WORK NEEDED TO CONFORM TO IBRD SUGGESTIONS WOULD BE PERFORMED BY SAME GREEK FIRM.

3. GILBERTS IBRD CONTACT CONFIRMS THAT SIGNIFICANT ENGINEERING STUDIES REMAIN TO BE MADE PARTICULARLY WITH REFERENCE TO THE INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT OF THESSALONIKI.

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4. GILBERT REQUESTS EMBASSY ASSISTANCE IN PROVIDING REPORT ON STATUS OF PROJECT AND IN PARTICULAR ANY MOVES TOWARD LINING UP ENGINEERS TO DO THE ADDITIONAL WORK.

5. FYI. GILBERT REPORTED A BELIEF THAT THE GREEK ENGINEERS WERE TRYING TO FREEZE OUT U.S. PARTICIPATION. EMBASSY COMMENTS ON THIS POSSIBILITY ALSO APPRECIATED. END FYI. KISSINGER

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